(d) if so, in what manner Government propose to face the threat posed by Pakistan, which has been infused by major US military equipments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (c) Government are aware of the press report in this regard Government are also aware of Pakistan's attempts to enhance its military capabilities through acquisition of sophisticated weapons from abroad.

(d) Government monitor all developments which have a bearing on our security and initiate appropriate measures to ensure full defence preparedness.

Self Employment Programme for Urban Poor

4029. SHRI KAPIL VERMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the main features of the scheme for providing self employment to Educated Unemployed Youth (SEEUY) and the Self-employment Programme for Urban Poor (SEPUP) and what are the conditions for their entitlement, separately;

(b) whether these schemes have been launched in Uttar Pradesh and Punjab; if so, what are the details thereof and the target allotted thereunder to those States;

(c) what is the number of beneficiaries, the loan sanctioned and the number of beneficiaries awiting sanction of loans in each District and Urban centres of these States; and

(d) what has been the programme under these schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) The salient features of the Scheme for providing Self-Employment to the Educated Unemployed Youth (SEEUY) which was introduced in the year 1983-84 and those of the Self Employment Programme for Urban Poor (SEPUP) which was launched from 1st September, 1986 are as under:

1. *Self Employment Scheme for Educated Unemployed Youth (SEEUY)*

(i) It covers all educated unemployed youth, within the age group of 18—35 years and who are matriculates and above.

(ii) The Scheme covers the entire country excepting the towns having population of 10 lakhs and above.

(iii) Banks would provide a composite loan not exceeding Rs. 35,000 for industrial, Rs. 25,000 for service and Rs. 15,000 for business ventures. No collateral security or third party guarantee is necessary. There is a capital subsidy at the rate of 25 per cent of the project cost. The rate of interest would be 10 per cent in the backward areas and 12 per cent in other areas.

(iv) For eligibility, family income of the applicant should be less than Rs. 10,000 per year.

(v) A minimum of 30 per cent of the sanctions are to be reserved for SC|ST beneficiaries with effect from 1986-87.

2. *Self Employment Programme for Urban Poor (SEPUP)*

(i) It covers all cities/towns with a population exceeding 10,000 as per 1981 census and which are not covered under Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP).

(ii) Persons whose total family income does not exceed Rs. 6000 per month, are eligible for assistance to undertake any economically viable activity.

(iii) Under the Programme a borrower is eligible for a maximum loan

of Rs. 5,000/- at an interest rate of 10 per cent per annum. A capital subsidy at the rate of 25 per cent of the amount of assistance is provided by the Central Government. No collateral security or third party guarantee is needed.

(iv) One beneficiary for every 300 population (1981 census) is to be assisted at each urban centre.

(b) to (d) Both these schemes are being implemented in all the States/ Union Territories including the State of Uttar Pradesh and Punjab. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that the data reporting system from banks does not generate the information in the manner asked for. However, the progress of the scheme for the States of Uttar Pradesh and Punjab under the SEEUY and SEPUP Schemes are given below:

1. *The Self Employment Scheme for the Educated Unemployed Youth (SEEUY)*

(*Rs. in lakh*)

Year	State Target	Loans Sanctioned	
		No.	Amount
Uttar Pradesh			
1983-84	36,000	36,857	5382.58
1984-85	37,600	34,400	5981·21
1985-86	31,300	26,264	4569·05
1986-87	31,300	23,197	500 38
Punjab			
1983-84	6,700	9,047	1689.60
1984-85	12,000	12,212	2443·00
1985-86	15,000	11,677	2373.65
1986-87	15,000	15,037	3428.80

2. *Self Employment Programme for Urban Poor (SEPUP)*

Uttar Pradesh			
1986-87	46,531	32,944	1284·04
ital			
7	13,903	12,374	438.23

serve Benk of India have also ad- ed that data regarding applications awaiting sanction is not available with them.

Doordarshan to go Professional

4030. SHRI KAPIL VERMA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the move of Doordarshan to go professional has run into rough weather;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) what steps Government have taken to recruit TV correspondents and other news personnel;

(d) whether UPSC has taken an objection to such recruitment; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Directorate General, Doordarshan had advertised 57 posts of TV News Correspondents/TV Asstt. News Correspondents/TV Asstt. News Editors in various news-papers in June 1987 and the written test for these posts was held on 23rd August, 1987.

(d) and (e) A reference was received from the Union Public Service Commission. These posts have been created in the category of artists on contract service and not Govt. servants. Since the selected persons will be engaged as artists on contract basis and the appointments are not being made against any civil posts, consultation with the Union Public Service Commission is not necessary.

Adjustment of Customs Tariff on Drugs

4031. DR. H. P. SHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether with the abolition of the Drug Prices Equalisation Account, steps by way of suitable increase and